GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ICCR Activities
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) the details of research activities taken up by Indian Council for Cultural Relation (ICCR) during the last two years;

(b) the particulars of cultural groups sponsored/deputed by ICCR for performing in other countries during the last two years indicating country, specific occasion and type of programmes in detail;

(c) the list of artists or groups from Gujarat State who were sponsored/deputed for such occasions; and

(d) whether it has been decided to depute traditional art and cultural groups from the Gujarat State in future and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI M. J. AKBAR)

(a) ICCR extends facilities to foreign scholars to undertake research in the fields of cultural and Indian studies under its Senior and Junior Fellowship scheme and Orientation Grant programme. In last two years ICCR offered fellowship to 18 Scholars.

(b) The details of cultural groups sponsored/deputed by ICCR for performing in other countries during the last two years (i.e. 2014-15 and 2015-16) indicating country, specific occasion and type of programmes are enclosed at Annexure-I.

(c) The list of artists or groups sponsored by the ICCR from Gujarat is enclosed at Annexure-II.

(d) ICCR empanels groups of traditional arts from all over India, including those from Gujarat. ICCR has also initiated on process of expanding panel and including more groups from traditional and folk arts. List of groups is attached at Annexure-III.